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This is Amateur Radio Station ZS6SRL of the South African Radio League, the National society for Amateur Radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin that is broadcast every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English.

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In the news today:

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Stay tuned for more details on these and other news items.

You are tuned to ZS6SRL. Visit the SARL Website or call the SARL office which is open on weekdays from 09:00 to 13:00 at 011 675 2393 for details on how to join, book sales and all related amateur radio activities.

The SARL News Service invites Clubs and individuals to contribute news regarding Amateur Radio to sarlnews@hotmail.com. It will be highly appreciated if it is done in both Afrikaans and English.

Now for the news in detail:

RESULTS OF THE MAY 2002 RAE PROCESSED IN RECORD TIME

The results of the RAE, which was written on 23 May, have already been announced on 30 May. The results are available on the website of the SARL at www.sarl.org.za.

Not only have the results been published but each candidate who has passed the examination and had completed a license application form has also been issued with a callsign.

95 of the 113 candidates who wrote the examination were successful. The highest marks were achieved by Dr G A Keen of Cape Town who achieved 100% in both the papers. The youngest candidate to pass the class A examination is the 15 year old Q D Du Preez of Durban who now boasts with the callsign ZR5QD. The oldest candidate to pass the examination is the 72 year old Mr C H Stevens of George who can now boast with the callsign ZR1AWG.

Documents with the results will be posted to all candidates within the next few days. The SARL wishes to point out to all candidates that the agreement between the SARL and OCASA entails that all candidates who have passed may immediately move in behind the microphone.

The examiner of the SARL, Rassie Erasmus ZS1YT, would like to thank all the moderators, invigilators and assistants who helped with the examination for their part in the smooth running of the examination. A special word of thanks to the staff of OCASA who helped with the issuing of the callsigns.

The SARL looks forward to also welcoming these new amateurs as members of the SARL. Join now by completing an application form and faxing or posting it to the SARL. Forms are available on the SARL web page or can be requested from the SARL office at telephone 011 675 2393.

HAMNET I D CARDS

At the Council meeting of the SARL, held at the National Amateur Radio Centre in Radiokop, on Saturday 25 May 2002, the decision was taken to retain the old and established HAMNET I.D. card.

Should you have the old card, you need not take any action. Your old card is valid and can be used. Those who do not have a card please get in touch with Francois ZS6BUU via e-mail at francois@overflow.co.za

This also applies where you have an old card with an incorrect or changed call sign on the card.

To all Provincial Directors; your help will be appreciated in obtaining the necessary information from your local members and let me know by the end of June who needs a new card. Francois is in the process of obtaining a supply of the old card and a laminating machine.

Please be aware, the I.D. card needs a recent photograph of you. Many, if not all of us, went through the issue of the new Drivers License I.D. card. That is the exact size of the photo we need for the HAMNET card. Should you still have some of these photos filed away somewhere, please let Francois have one with your CALL SIGN on the reverse for identification.

This is a one-off, and also the other reason why we decided to stick to the old card - to avoid unnecessary expenses. The moment Francois has a Laminating machine, all will be done. Please be patient.

Should there be any queries, please contact Francois via e-mail or via landline at 011 679.5260 or via fax at 011 475.5946.

NEW MEMBERS

This week the SARL welcomes the following new members:

Nas Gasant ZS1NAZ Phaldela Gasant ZR1DEE Anees Gasant ZSL126 Nick Kenwood ZR1NK Charles Alexander ZR6LEX David Van Vuuren ZR1V LEONARD LOTTER ZR2LEN CORNELIA TALJAARD ZR4CT ROBERT STAPLES ZS2AAS JOHAN ARANGIE ZS4ZR SELWYN EPSTEIN ZS1LW ANDRE BOTES ZS2ACP RICHARD HISLOP ZR2H BILL VENTER ZS1SA

ARNO DU PREEZ ZS2ABT CORNELIUS VAN VUUREN ZR2ABT BRUCE TYLER ZS5BR

A hearty welcome to all of you, 17 new members again in one week! You made the right decision. Your support is appreciated and it is trusted that you all will enjoy a fruitful membership of the league.

Remember, a pleasant surprise is awaiting three new members who join the SARL before July 12.

SARL also has the pleasure of announcing that Adele Tyler, XYL of the President of the SARL Syd Tyler, has passed the RAE and now boasts with the callsign ZR6APT.

SPECIAL EVENT STATION

The Sandton Amateur Radio Club is hosting a Special Event Station to commemorate the end of the Anglo Boer War.

The Station with the special Call Sign of ZS100BW is operational from Melrose House in Jacob Mare street, Pretoria. Melrose House was the site for the signing of the Treaty of Vereeniging on 31 May 1902.

The Station is operating on all H.F Bands until this afternoon the 1st June.

A special event QSL card will be sent to all stations contacted during this period.

RADIO AMATEURS AND THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Quite a number of amateur radio events are and will be taking place as part of the activities in the UK to celebrate Her Majesty the Queen's Golden Jubilee.

The most important is probably the special event station with the callsign GB50 which will be operating from Windsor Castle till next Sunday June 9. The station will be on the air daily from 09:00 till 22:00 UTC. The frequencies listed below will be used in the various bands, the first one in a band being for CW and the others for SSB.

GB50 will also be using RTTY and PSK 31. The frequencies in kHz are: 3 529, 3 769 and 3 789; 7 029 and 7 089; 10 109, CW only; 14 029, 14 189 and 14 219; 18 079 and 18 139; 21 029 and 21 289; 24 909 and 24 929; 28 029 and 28 489.

QSL cards may be sent directly to G4DFI or via the bureau.

Three other special event stations to look out for are:

The Scarborough Special Event Group with callsigns GQ0000 and 2Q0000 and they will be using all the HF bands on CW, SSB and PSK31.

The Bushbury Amateur and Electronic Radio Society in Wolverhampton will have a Jubilee Field Day on Tuesday the

4th of June. They will be using the callsign MQ0TBC and will be active on all HF bands.

The Brickfields Amateur Radio Society on the Isle of Wight will be operating with the callsign GB50J at various times up to the 14th June.

Next weekend a special RSGB contest will take place. It will commence on Saturday the 8th at 10:00 UTC and will run for 24 hours. Stations outside the Commonwealth must contact Commonwealth stations only.

SARLNEWS thanks all contributors, individuals, clubs and other organizations for contributions to this bulletin and all stations that so reliably relay the bulletins.

This bulletin was compiled by Gustav,ZS6BWN and read by.....fromas a service to radio amateurs, short wave listeners and electronic enthusiasts.

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At noon on Sundays the SARL President's net is on the air on 7082 kHz.

You have been listening to ZS6SRL, thank you for joining us.

Goodbye everyone.